



AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims as indicated below. Claims 1 through 8 and 14 through 21 have been cancelled. Claim 9 has been amended and claims 10 through 13 remain unchanged in their original form. Claims 22 through 37 are new. Added text has been underlined.

1 – 8. (Cancelled)

9. **(Currently Amended)** A universal serial bus hub comprising: a housing comprising: a middle portion having a first region, a second region located substantially opposite the first region, and a third region located between the first region and the second region; a top portion coupled to the middle portion; and a bottom portion coupled to the middle portion and located opposite the top portion; a power port at the first region; an upstream universal serial bus port at the second region; and a group of downstream universal serial bus ports at the third region, the universal serial bus hub further comprising: a first foot and a symmetric and substantially similar second foot located at opposite ends of the bottom portion; and a first slot and a second slot located at opposite ends of the top portion, wherein the first slot is located above the first region and the first foot; and the second slot is located above the second region and the second foot, and wherein the universal serial bus hub is stackable with a second universal serial bus hub; the second universal serial bus hub is substantially similar to the universal serial bus hub; the first slot of the second universal serial bus hub is configured to receive at least a portion of the first foot of the universal serial bus hub and the second slot of the second universal serial bus hub is configured to receive at least a portion of the second foot of the universal serial bus hub when the universal serial bus hub is stacked on top of the second universal serial bus hub, and wherein the first foot and the second foot of the universal serial bus hub and of the second universal serial bus hub and the first slot and the second slot of the universal serial bus hub and

of the second universal serial bus hub self-align and self-interlock the universal serial bus hub and the second universal serial bus hub together.

10. **(Original)** The universal serial bus hub of claim 9 wherein: the group of downstream universal serial bus ports consists of four downstream universal serial bus ports.

11. **(Original)** The universal serial bus hub of claim 9 further comprising: a group of status indicators at the top portion, wherein: the group of status indicators are visible through a portion of the top portion.

12. **(Original)** The universal serial bus hub of claim 11 wherein: the portion of the top portion comprises a translucent material; and the group of status indicators indicate a status of the group of downstream ports.

13. **(Original)** The universal serial bus hub of claim 9 wherein: at least a portion of the housing comprises a rubberized material.

14 - 21. **(Cancelled)**

22. **(New)** A method of managing at least one of USB ports and USB cables, the method comprising the step of providing a plurality of at least substantially similar hubs, each hub having multiple universal serial bus (USB) ports on at least one side wherein the hubs are attachably stackable in at least two orientations.

23. **(New)** The method of claim 22 wherein each hub has a first region and a second region and wherein any two hubs are attachably stackable in a first orientation wherein the first region of a first hub is above the first region of a second hub and the second region of the first hub is above the second region of the second hub and wherein the two hubs are attachably stackable in a second orientation wherein the first region of the first hub is above the second region of the second hub and the second region of the first hub is above the first region of the second hub.

24. (New) The method of claim 23 wherein each hub has at least two slots and each hub has at least two tabs and wherein any two hubs are attachably stackable by inserting the tabs of a first hub into the slots of a second hub.

25. (New) The method of claim 22 wherein each hub has at least two slots and each hub has at least two tabs and wherein any two hubs are attachably stackable by inserting the tabs of a first hub into the slots of a second hub.

26. (New) The method of claim 22 wherein the substantially similar hubs are identical.

27. (New) A hub comprising multiple universal serial bus (USB) ports, the hub comprising:

a bottom portion having at least a first foot having a first tab and a second foot having a second tab;

a top portion having at least a first slot and a second slot;

wherein the hubs are stackable in a first orientations by inserting the first tab into the first slot and by inserting the second tab into the second slot; and

wherein the hubs are stackable in a second orientations by inserting the first tab into the second slot and by inserting the second tab into the first slot.

28. (New) The hub of claim 27 further comprising a first side having at least four USB ports and a power port wherein the hub is configured to be attachably stackable with a substantially similar hub with the first side in either the front or the back.

29. (New) The hub of claim 27 further comprising a rubberized coating and a mini B universal serial bus port.

30. (New) The hub of claim 27 further comprising an upstream USB port and a group of downstream USB ports.

31. (New) The hub of claim 27 further comprising a plurality of cables having right-angle plugs.

32. (New) The hub of claim 27 further comprising a top portion comprising a translucent cover over at least one light-emitting diode serving as a status indicator.

33. (New) The hub of claim 27 having only two feet on opposite ends of a bottom portion of the hub and wherein the first foot and the second foot are configured to support the hub above a work surface when the hub is placed on the work surface.

34. (New) The hub of claim 33 wherein the first slot and the second slot are symmetric with each other and substantially similar to each other.

35. (New) The hub of claim 27 wherein the first slot and the second slot are symmetric with each other and substantially similar to each other.

36. (New) The hub of claim 35 wherein the first tab and the second tab are configured to deflect or flex to insert into the first slot and the second slot and wherein substantially similar hubs are self-aligning and self-interlocking when stacked with each other.

37. (New) The hub of claim 27 wherein the first tab and the second tab are configured to deflect or flex to insert into the first slot and the second slot and wherein substantially similar hubs are self-aligning and self-interlocking when stacked with each other.